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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos. 165.

Part B for March 1901.

SUBJECT.

Kolar New Town & a project for water supply to the Kolar Gold Fiel

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165 To. The President K. G. F.

No. 12206 dt. 14-3-1901.

D. 7-17-99.

Enquiries whether the provisions made in the Budgets of K. G. F. have been utilised & new wells & tanks & requests to send an early report thereon.

WD 1888—GPB—16,826—23-7-21

172 Countermarked

21/11/26

Urgent

Rev. Branch

Please furnish papers relat
to this; which were recently
sent to your branch

BH

31.7.99 Gl Dr.

The file was subs: to the
Rev: Cr:, Eastern Division
on 24/7/99 with Gl Nr: 8261/RS303.
Letter Nr: 5705/1094 & 16/6/99 from D.L.
HS.
31/7/99.

Submitted. to Secty

BH
31.7.99

HH
1/8/99

Ld to Revs & Dr
Gl
Manager.
8/99.

1-8-99

I do not find any
orders passed in Gl
Proc No 5 dated 30th
September 1899 (The
Office might have
put up a clean Copy
of the order) on the

Dwar 65-99.

Letter No. 364/80 dated 26th July 1899 from the Deputy Commr., Kolar Dist.

Order of the Rev: Councillor, Eastern Dn. (contd).

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question of water supply to the new Town. The Deputy Commissioner in his letter camp No. 32 dated 26th Octob 1897 has considered differen possible sources of water supply to the new Town and has in para 7 of his letter suggested that the P.W.D. might be asked to investigate the practicabi of pumping water from the Kandapalli tank. No orders appear to have been passed on this proposal

proposal as far as the papers in the file go. The scheme appears to be a good one and I would invite the Dewan's early attention to it with a view to the question being taken up without loss of time.

I decided at the last inspection that none of those whose houses were demolished by the Plague Department should be allowed to rebuild in the already highly congested and unsanitary village of Vrigam. The people are willing to build according to approved plans on the sites marked out in the

the new Town, but water
is a great desideratum.
Advantage should be
taken of the present mood
of the people to induce
them to build houses that
will meet all the require-
-ments of sanitation.
There is great demand
for cooly lines of an
improved kind, and
demand for houses from
other villages. Public buildings
also will soon rise but
all these require water.
I may also note that altho
some public buildings
have already arisen on
the new site there is no
reference in the papers
construction being under
reference in the papers
now before me

Yours sincerely
Davenport 5/8/09

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Subd. to Secty

The file has not been
recd back in the Office with
these papers. HH 16/8/99

Subd to Deman.

The file has been called
for & will be subd on
receipt. ✓

17-8-99.

Memo for Dewan's Order

Jan 65-99. 2

No orders have been passed by the Dewan o
letter no 304/80 dated 16
July 1899. This letter
was sent to the Dewa
on 17-8-99. I recalled
on 8/11/99 in connection w
the question of locating
gold mining Cooly who
came up for consider
again on the occasion
my visit to the gold
fields on the 8th nov
1899. I now return h
whole file for favor
of early orders by the De

I have had the import
papers commencing
with letter dated 15th Sept
1897 from the Dy Comm
of Salar type written fo
the sake of easy referen
In these papers which have
been [illegible] arranged

Secy Appeals
Inme. Dept
30.11.99

R. in 45 of 98-99 has been
returned and will be [illegible]

I have marked the
passages that bear on
the question of starting
a new Town for the accomodation
of Cooks, artizans, traders
& others who have been
drawn to the place by
the expansion of the Gold
mining industry and
for relieving the Congestion
in Morgan & other villages
for improving the Sanitation
of those places.

It will be observed that
the question of opening
a new road & allotting
sites for meeting the
requirements of growing
population originated
with the visit of the Deputy
to the Gold Fields in
1897. The Commissioner
letter dated 15th Sept entered
into Considerable details
of the proposed improvements
and spoke in their favour
and Capt S dated 30th Sept. 97.

2/ in sanctioning the proposals of the D.C. remarked "the provision of new building sites for the benefit of the fast growing population of the Gold Fields is a measure of pressing necessity."

In his letter Campbell 32 dated 16th May the D.C. forwarded specifications for cost buildings which would have to be built on the new extension & remarked that "in connection with the improvement of the sanitation of the villages near the Gold Fields the one most important question for solution is to devise the best means of providing a good supply of drinking water to the existing villages and the township which is now proposed. Suggested that pumping water from Kandepalli tank would meet the requirements of the new town & surrounding villages. No orders were passed on this letter & the year

do not show that any action was taken in the matter. In the Budget estimate of the P.W.D. for 1899-1900 however provision was made for the marginally noted* post buildings in the Kolar Gold fields. These estimates bear date the 20th June 1899. In July 1899 I inspected the Gold fields & the villages around them in connection with the framing Rules for the guidance of the Sanitary Board. I inspected the village of Urigam ~~and the roads~~ to see the measures made with the evacuation of impacted cubicles & the demolition of insanitary hovels. A large population had been displaced & there was pressing necessity for suitable sites being

*(1) Constructing D.B.W Sub Dy. Office and quarters for Sub Dy. officer, officials and servants at the Kolar Gold Fields.

(2) Constructing Head-Quarters Office for the Mine Inspection Branch of the Geological Department at the Kolar Gold Fields.

(3) Constructing staff Bungalow at the Kolar Gold Fields.

(4) Constructing General Cemetery at the Kolar Gold Fields.

9/ being allotted for
relieving overcrowding &
for improving sanitation
in September 1897 long
before plague appeared
in the Gold fields &
surrounding villages the
necessity has been intensified
a hundred fold now
after plague has done
its work in the track.
The huts have all been
marked out but the
place has no water
supply. It has always
been customary with Coolies
whenever new locations
have been started
to sink the people a
few wells or other sources
of water supply. Accordingly
the D.C. Lon in his letter
dated July 28th written
from Baggabout the time of

my views in the matter
referred to previous
correspondence and
requested early orders
~~for~~ on the question of the
water supply which
had been raised early
his predecessor.

The letter of the Dr Commr
dated 10th July 1899
still awaits the orders
of the Govt. Meanwhile
the Govt has disallowed
certain* Govt buildings which
had been provided for
in the budget. The papers
before me do not show
under what circ
these buildings found
a place in the budget estimates
& why they were disallowed
I was not present in the
Council

10/Jan/1900

I am sorry

*1. P.W. Sub-Division
office and quarters
2. Staff bungalow.

5301-2
LF17 1899

4/ that in their progs
5301-2
2nd 17th Dec 99 dated 3rd Nov 99 sanctioned
the proposal of the Board
to allow mining Coolies
to erect up huts or to occup
houses in the surrounding
villages instead of being
brought together in the
new Town. During my
last visit to the gold
fields on the north bank
the Chiefs of the villages
were strongly opposed
to mining Coolies being
allowed to find place
in their villages. The Coole
presence was undesirable
both on a moral &
sanitary point of view
The Board I now und
stand have changed
their opinion and
are anxious to purchase
sites in the town for
accomodating Coolie

I attach a memo
re Dr Thornhead
from Mr Starke, but
have brought from the
Secretary of the Mining
Board. I attach also a proof of the Mining Board
dated 20th Nov. 99

The question is a pressing
one. Already I hear
that coolies for want of
room are forcibly
occupying the houses
of villagers vacated by
them during plague before
disinfection could
be completed and
without the permission
of the owners.

The points on which
orders are required are
1) Investigation of the best
means of providing a
water supply to the new town
Mr Starke was mentioning
the possibility of getting
a Company to furnish

See Secretary
Mining Board
letter

5/ water from Ramsgate
tank. The question
is one for the P.W.D.
to take up & deal with
Meanwhile a few wells
may be ordered to be
sunk in suitable locality
The working & marking
allotting sites should be
taken up by a responsible
P.W. Officer. I understand
during my last visit that it
was wanted waste of money that
metal a considerable
portion of the road to the
south & it was not
of much use down
there. I understood the
P.W.D Officer or Dr Lowe
to say that goods or so
could be saved under
the head.

(2) The survey dept may
be asked to fix a
ground rent for the
sites to be allotted to the
different Companies

wishes to build lines
on the new Extension
The Companies or contractors
take the site from govt
& pay a ground rent - part
~~of the~~ rent. The lands are
leased for a limited number
of years say 15 with
a stipulation that the
lease would be renewed
on the same or revised
rent at the end of the
period. The Companies
erect up lots or houses
according to plans
approved by the Sanitary
Board. The Sanitary
Board levies a rate on
monthly ~~from~~ the
lots which goes to the
Board..

worked
on default

(3.) The D.P.W maybe instructed
to open out any streets
or lanes that maybe
wanted for in the new
town. I think the

I don't understand
Where this new
is intended
I think

4/ Public buildings
specified in para 5
of the D/ Gen letter
Camp 21st 32 dated Nov
20th 97 are necessary
I understand that the
Senior Surgeon has all
along been pressing for a
large female Hospital.
After the passing of the
Sanitary Rules it has
become necessary to have
an officer not below the
rank of Asstt Surgeon
to be in charge of the medical
establishments in the
Gold fields area. Quarters
will have to be built
for him. A police Court
Station & particularly
lines for the men is a
desideratum

I have &c
John Leech

12/12

Jam 65-99 | 1924 of Dec 99

Sabe to Secy

I may the D.C.O. be asked to furnish some more information as to the "Govt encampment known as Dewan's Pett," such as when it was formed and for what purpose. Whether it is situated within the limits of the Sanitary Circle, who lives in the huts at present, etc? In the absence of details it seems difficult to pass orders on the present ref.

13-12-99

You had before I am to please submit this to the Asst C. Dn — C

15.12.99
501

16-12-99

I know nothing about this - Placed before the Dewan

22/12/99.

Sahib & Dewan C

24-12-99

Allen. The Pett is since known as Sparks Pett I think.

Sale 4/1/1900

Is removal of the huts in the Pett is very desirable & will facilitate the enforcement of the Conservancy rules - I think a separate file should be opened

It is very desirable on part of local officers [illegible] to ascertain the name of the landowner and unauthorized inmates of all huts & sheds & places after the Dewan's name - This will be corrected

I believe the so-called Pett is a collection of huts built for Plague funds and condemned as useless for the intended purpose - I do not understand that the Plague Committee knows nothing about - If my information as above is correct, there is nothing for it but to remove the huts, utilize materials for other purposes & put the land to some better use —

30/11/00

To Dewan Sahib for disposal

Jus: 246.

(1)

OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE
885
28-7-1899.

FROM The Deputy Commissioner
Kolar district

To The Secretary to Government of Mysore
Rev: & Genl Department

Dated 26th July 1899

Despatched 26th July 1899

Received

General No. 364

No. 80

Enclosure No.

Requesting to move the Chief Engineer to form a project for water supply to New Town Kolar Gold Fields

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28/7/99

(Vide remarks of the Revenue Secretary on separate sheet

Deputy Commissioner's
Kolar district
Dated 26th July 1895.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore
Revenue and General department

Sir,

With reference to Government order No: 5 of 30th September 1894 approving of the construction of the new road to the east of the Gold fields recommended by my predecessor Mr Rangasamy Iyengar and the building of Government quarters and a new town on either side of it, I have the honor to inform you, that the road is being cut and partly finished but as regards the erection of Government buildings and a new town it is found impracticable without a water supply. In the original proposition a water supply was proposed by pumping water from the Kandapalli tank

tank to the East of the proposed town;
but up to date no steps appear to have
been taken to draw up a project for
this and I earnestly request that Govern-
ment will at once move the Chief —
Engineer to form a project for supplying
this proposed new town with water.

2. Owing to the recent demolition of —
a great many of the old huts in —
Horegaon Village on account of plague
it is found necessary to give the owners
new ground for rebuilding the same
and the present proposed site is the
only place available. Again it is now
proposed to move the Taluq head —
quarters from Bowringpet to this site
by building the new taluq cutcherry there
and which proposal has received the
approval of the Mining board and is
in every way suitable as it is more
central for the whole taluq than the
present situation. Such being the

case

case the present dirty and unsanitary town of Bowringpet will deminish to a large extent and the new town become a very important centre. As the water question is a very urgent one I would again request you to move Government in the matter to pass early orders regarding it as until that is settled it will be of no use in disposing of building sites.

The Councellor for the Eastern division inspected the site on the 24th and approved of all the proposals but pointed out that they were useless unless a watersupply was provided.

At a meeting held at the Heregaue hall on the 24th Instant it was proposed that the new town be called Madhavapuram in recognition of the deep interest taken in it by the Councellor for the Eastern Divisio and who was graciously pleased

to disprove of the name. I would therefore request that the proposed new town be known by that name in future.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

H. H. Sparke

Deputy Commissioner

Kolar district

THE KOLAR GOLD FIELD MINING BOARD.

A Special Meeting of the Board was held in the Ooregum Hall on Monday, the 20th November 1899, at 4 p. m.

PRESENT.

MR. W. J. HAMBLEY (*Vice-Chairman, in the Chair*).

MR. R. HANCOCK.
MR. THOMAS RICHARDS.
CAPTAIN J. CHEGWIN.
CAPTAIN D. H. WILLIAMS.
MR. H. G. RICHARDS.
MR. P. BOSWORTH-SMITH.

DR. E. J. FARMER (*Acting Chief Medical Officer*).
MR. G. HUME WRIGHT (*President of the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board*).
MR. C. B. BENNETTS (*Acting Secretary*).

This Meeting was called to consider the following letter and memorandum received from the President of the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board :—

"From 189.
THE PRESIDENT,
SANITARY BOARD,
Kolar Gold Fields,

"To
THE VICE-CHAIRMAN,
TO THE MINING BOARD,
Kolar Gold Fields.

"Dated 18-11-99.
"Despatched 18-11-99.
"Received
"General No. 2.
"Enclosure No. 1

"Has the honor to forward copy of Deputy Commissioner's memo., "dated 15th instant, and to request that he will be good enough to "furnish the undersigned with the views of the Mining Board on the "subject alluded to in the memo. on or before the 21st instant."

(Signed) G. HUME WRIGHT,
President, Sanitary Board.

"MEMO.

"So far back as before Plague appeared on the Fields the necessity
"for relieving the congestion was felt, and it was with a view to accommo-
"date people from Ooregum and other villages that lands were acquired and
"sites marked in the New Extension. Since then the plague has done its
"work in Ooregum and other villages, and huts and shanties lying in low
"insanitary localities have been destroyed wholesale; and strict orders
"issued prohibiting rebuilding on the old sites. There is thus a pressing
"necessity for house sites being assigned for the coolies and artisans who
"were turned out of Ooregum. In addition to this we have to provide
"room for the large number of coolies who had hitherto found a lodging
"either within the limits of the surrounding villages or outside. Most of
"the houses and huts in these villages formerly occupied by the coolies
"have been knocked down, and they cannot be rebuilt without the
"permission of the Sanitary Authorities.

"The general opinion is that in the interest of the health of these
"villages such re-building should not be permitted. The villagers also
"as represented by their Patels who were personally questioned by me
"are strongly opposed to a Colony of Mining coolies being allowed to
"establish itself near their villages.

"The general sense of the Sanitary Board was, that by allowing the
"coolies to run up their lines near the villages they would be under
"the control of the Patel and village agency. It is doubtful if the Patels
"would be strong enough to enforce order among the coolies drawn
"from all classes and mostly composed of the scum of society. The
"villagers especially after their experience during plague, as remarked
"above, are averse to having these disorderly classes in their proximity
"both in the interest of the health and peace of the villages.

"We may therefore decide once for all that re-occupation or re-build-
"ing should not be permitted either in Ooregum or other villages round
"the fields for the benefit of the coolies. We have then to consider the
"best way of locating the coolies on the New Extension.

"The Sanitary Board has power to regulate the construction of
"dwelling houses, keeping in view the Sanitary requirements of the
"locality. Streets and conservancy lanes will be marked out by them and
"licenses will be given to applicants for building only in accordance with
"the rules lately sanctioned by Government.

"What we have to decide now is whether, having regard to the habits "of the cooly and the small interest he has in his temporary settlement, "individual applications for building sites could be allowed, or we should "assign a block or line to be built upon either by the Mining Superintend- "ents or by the Contractors. The latter course appears to me to be the "best. I shall be glad if you will take the sense of the Mining Board on "this point and communicate their views to me before the 22nd of the "month before Mr. Madhava Row leaves the District.

"The Mining Superintendents are mistaken in thinking that the "labour that comes from the villages is all local labour. They are all "foreign coolies who have found a lodging either within the village or "around it. These men having been dislodged from the villages must be "accommodated somewhere.

"There is an advantage in getting the lines or blocks of huts built "by the Superintendents of mines or by Contractors, as we should then "have some control over the cooly occupants. Their concentration on "the New Town, where possibly we may have Head-Quarter Station and "line built for the Police, would conduce to order being maintained "among them.

"All that the Superintendents or Contractors would have to pay is a "small ground-rent for the land taken up for the building. The Moha- "tarfa, or professional tax, will be collected by the Officers of the Sani- "tary Board."

(Signed) H. H. SPARKES.

Dated 15th November 1899.
Camp, Peresandra.

"Copy forwarded to the Vice-Chairman to the Mining Board for information."

(Signed) G. HUME WRIGHT,

18-11-99. *President,*

Sanitary Board, Kolar Gold Fields.

The Board quite agreed with the decision arrived at, that it would be inexpedient to force an undesirable class of inhabitants upon the existing villages in opposition to the wishes of the Patels, and beg to suggest that in allotting the proposed building sites, the Mining Companies be first allowed to select the land adjacent to their properties upon which to erect huts for the accommodation of their own employés subject to the payment of a nominal rent to Government in proportion to the area occupied by each company.

This suggestion is made with a view to the erection of huts at the expense of the companies interested for the housing of coolies employed by them; the companies undertaking the responsibility of the sanitary arrangements as if the buildings had been erected on their own camps. This arrangement would no doubt provide for the accommodation of a large proportion of the persons dislodged from the villages.

Any further applications for building sites should be dealt with by the Sanitary Board, and the Mining Board desire to support the opinion expressed by the President of the Sanitary Board, *viz.*, that only applicants approved of by the Mining authorities should be accepted, on condition of their signing a lease to be hereafter determined by the Sanitary Board.

The Acting Secretary was instructed to reply accordingly to the letter received from the President of the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board.

Read proceedings, No. 3, of a Meeting of the Members of the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board held November 16th, 1899.

Mr. Hambley drew the attention of the Board to the following letter received from the Superintendent of the Plague Camp, Oorgaum:—

PLAGUE CAMP,
Oorgaum, 18-11-99.

"SIR,

"As per instructions from the Plague Commissioner in Mysore "received to-day, persons in the Contact Camp will not be fed at Govern- "ment cost in future unless they are extremely poor and helpless."

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) M. VARADAYA,
For Superintendent, Plague Camp,
Oorgaum.

The Board not having received intimation of the alterations in the Plague Rules (regarding the feeding of persons in the "Contact Camp"), the Acting Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Plague Commissioner in Mysore and to ask if the above instructions had been issued by him.

This brought the business of the Meeting to a close.

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Kolar 2/6

Law 65-99-1

25.11.99

Dear Mr. Madhava Rao

I enclose the opinion of the Mining Board and Mr Hume Wrights' letter. You will see from the former that the Superintendents are anxious to obtain land there for building their cooly lines and are willing to pay ground rent, but have overlooked the fact of their having to pay Mohatarfa on each house as well, this I think should be levied in addition to the ground rent and should be credited to the Sanitary Board, the ground rent going to Govt.

Quite so

I also think that the Sanitary Board should attend to the

Sanitation and not the companies as in the event of the latter doing so it would lead to friction in the event of shops ~~&~~ springing up there, so the Board can see to this if granted Mohatarfa which it will have the right to, under the Local fund Rules.

Yr. the Mining Companies should have nothing to do with the Sanitation

I am sorry I could not come in and discuss the matter with you tomorrow but I find there is a lot to be done here, principally cursing these people for not turning out when plague is amongst them, but I managed to move them in double quick time this morning.

I also hope to have the Bower infantry out in a very

short time and then perhaps we will put down plague in Kolar. I visited a Jodi village Hootoor on my way in and was ~~boasted~~ Deified I never saw such a wonderful change or such a model village and wouldn't have believed such a one existed and not a penny of Govt. money spent on it, this I need hardly say was in Siddaghatta Taluk.

I hope you got in alright and none the worse for your tour.

Benson is anxious to start a female hospital on the Gold Fields. Do you think Govt will run to funds for it or is it no good recommending it?

I think a good hospital is badly wanted. You may recommend it if you like.

With kind regards
Yours sincerely
H. H. Sparkes.

27 2/C

21. 11. 99

Dear 5-11-99 (

Dear Mr. Sparkes,

I enclose a letter giving the views of Mining Board on the subject of allotting sites as requested. I should be glad to discuss the matter with Mr. Madhava Rao before he leaves if possible; if not you can communicate my views to him, that I agree in the undesirability of locating mining coolies in the villages. I consider that Superintendents of Mines should have preference

preference in obtaining
sites for hutting for their
own coolies on the
understanding that they
erect their own hutting
and are responsible
to the Board for the
Sanitation of their blocks.
I propose that remaining
sites be leased by the
Sanitary Board to such
persons - contractors or
otherwise - as may be
recommended for such
by a Mining Superintendent
or other person who is
the

the opinion of the S. B
is sufficiently responsible.
This will provide for
bagarmen, contractors
& artisans, butchers &c
who may not actually
be working in the mines,
yet are a necessary adjunct
thereto. The terms and
conditions of the lease
will depend on the terms
on which the Board
acquires the sites, Extent
of land, individuals
applying, rent paid
by the Board, & the
rules applicable to
building

building. One important condition will be that none will acquire a permanent right in a site, and must on due notice or on expiry of lease quit if required without compensation, materials being removed by owner if he wishes, & in the event of epidemic building may be vacated or destroyed, if necessary by the Board. These are details yet to be drawn up. With regard to water supply, it will be a difficult one & requires consideration.

Yours sincerely
(Sd) G. Hunt Wright.

If Mr. M. R wants me, Please wire.

2d. G. H. W.

31 2/d

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The Klondike Gold Fields Mining Board. Oregamm.

Yukon Province.

November 21 1899.

G. Hume Wright Esquire

President.

Klondike Gold Fields Sanitary Board.

Sir,

Replying to your letter No. 2 dated the 18th Instant I have the honor to state that the Board, at a special meeting held yesterday, quite agreed with the decision arrived at, that it would be inexpedient to force an undesirable class of inhabitants upon the existing villages in opposition to the wishes of the Paleis

Patels, and beg to suggest that in alloting the proposed building sites the mining Companies be first allowed to select the land adjacent to their properties upon which to erect huts for the accommodation of their own employees, subject to the payment of a nominal rent to Government in proportion to the area occupied by each company.

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of the Sanitary Board namely that only applicants approved of by the mining authorities should be accepted on condition of their signing a lease to be hereafter determined by the Sanitary Board.

I have the honorable
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
sd/ C. B. Bennetts.
acting Secretary.

"Copy"
sd/ G. Hunewright
President.

OFFICE OF THE
5477
12-12-99
DEWAN OF MYSORE
189

35 L. 924

Law 65-99-2

From The President of the Local Fund and Municipal Boards Kolar Dist

To The Secretary to the Government of Mysore Revenue and General Depts

Dated 6th December 99

Despatched 11/2

Received

General No. 447

No. 12 Imm.

Enclosure No. one

Requesting instructions regarding the Government encampment known as Devanahalli etc.

L. F. B.
12-12-99

S. M. D
Pratap Sanctg. Board
Dng 12/12/99

file
file papers
Dng 13/12

Submitted for orders
vide refers. Dng 13/12/99

Vide Devan's orders of 31.11.00 on a separate departmental sheet.

Sheet.

Seen. The plot is also known as Sparkes plot I think.
File (Sd) V. P. M
10/1/01.

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Office of the President of the Local Fund
and Municipal Boards Kolar District
dated 6th December 1899
Camp Malur.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore
Revenue and General departments.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy of letter No. 2.
dated the 28th ultimo received from the President of the
Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board requesting to be
informed whether the Government encampment known as
Devanis pett is under the control of the Sanitary Board,
I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to
instruct me as to what is to be done with these huts
and also the ground acquired for the new town amounting
to 297-6 acres at a cost of ~~Rs~~ 2300/- which has
not as yet been paid and which I would propose being
paid by the Sanitary Board out of the ~~Rs~~ 20,000 loan recently
sanctioned and being handed over to the Board for disposal
in plots as required for building and approved of by the
Board, a Groundrent on such plots being charged and
credited to Government and the Mohatarfa on any
buildings erected being credited to the Sanitary
Board.

Proceedings 5301-2-07
S-817-99
1st/99 (Sec 6).

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient servant

H H Sparke
President

A.M.

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FROM The President of the Sanitary Board Kolar Gold Fields.

To The President of the Local Govt Board Kolar District.

June 6-99

Dated 28/11/99

Despatched

Received

General No. 23

No.

Enclosure No.

Sir,

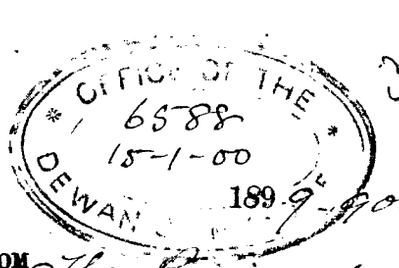
I have the honor to request to be informed whether the Government encampment known as Devaraj Pett is under the control of the Sanitary Board and on what terms people are allowed to reside in the huts. If it is under the Sanitary Board is there any reason why the inhabitants should not pay rent to the Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
servant
(Signed) G. Munro Wright
President
Sanitary Board

"Copy" 34

Lee Sparks
President
Local Trade & Guild Boards
Nolan District.

AHN.



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From The President
Local & Munic: Hungg Boards.
15-1-99

To The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore
Genl & Rev. Departt

Dated 11th January 1900

Despatched 12th January 1900

Received

General No. 525

No. 2 Dft in

Enclosure No. 1.

Informing the opinion of the Councillor, Resident Dr. made during his visit to the Kolar selection of village sites within the Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board

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L. Bds
15/1/1900

Submitted for orders
The DS Genl Secy to obtain instructions of the C.E. Dr.
16.1.00

Ended to Revenue Dept
21-1-1900

5-30 Pm
28/2/00
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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 525 dated 11th January 1900 and to say in reply that I have already done everything connected with this question. The papers are with the Dewan. Even this morning I had a reminder from Mr Keene brought. I have also made a note in connection with

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President's Office, Kolar District
Dated 12th January 1900.

From

The President L.C. & Municipal Bd
Kolar District

To.

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore.
Revenue & General Departments.

Sir,

With reference to Government Proceedings No 5301-2 / 5272-9 / 271-97 dated 3rd Nov: 1899 sanctioning the extension of village sites within the area prescribed for the Gold Fields Sanitary Board, I have the honor to inform you that on the visit of the Councillor eastern Division to the Fields he was of opinion that the coolies working in the mines should not be allowed to reside in the villages but should be allowed to build huts on the land recently acquired by Government for the new town, that this land should be apportioned out in plots either to the Mining Superintendents or Contractors or in special cases to well to do merchants and be sold at the rate of Rs 100/- per acre and also

bear a ground rent of Rs 5/- per acre per annum both of which to be credited to Government in addition to the Mohatorfa levied on the buildings and which should be credited to the Sanitary Board after deducting a certain percentage for collection fees. This Memo was forwarded to the Board for opinion and they concluded that Government should dispose of the land in question.

I beg to enclose copy of the Memo submitted to the Board.

Should this proposal meet with the approval of Government I would beg to request that the former Proceedings No 5321-2 dated 3rd Nov: 97 be withdrawn and sanction be given to the present proposal.

Should this be given effect to I would beg to propose that sites be given free to the individuals who had acquired land adjacent to the Christian Bazar who were not allowed to build them on account of the proximity to the Mines and who are now petitioning for a refund of their money.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
[signature]
Mgr. for President

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3/a.

Law 65-99 Memo

So far back as before plague
appeared on the Hills, the necessity
for relieving the congestion was felt
and it was with a view to accomodat
people from Goripam and other
villages that lands were acquired
and sites marked in the new extension
since then the plague has done its
work in Goripam and other villages
and huts and shanties lying in
low insanitary localities have been
destroyed whole-sale, and strict
Orders issued prohibiting rebuilding
on the old sites. There is thus an
pressing necessity for house sites
being assigned for the coolies and
artisans who were turned out of
Goripam. In addition to this we have
to provide room for the large
number of coolies who had hitherto
found a lodging either within the
limits

limits of the surrounding villages or outside. Most of the houses and huts in these villages formerly occupied by the coolies have been knocked down and they cannot be rebuilt without the permission of the Sanitary authorities.

The general opinion is that in the interest of the health of these villages such rebuilding should not be permitted. The villagers also as represented by their Patels who were personally questioned by me are strongly opposed to a colony of running coolies being allowed to establish itself near their villages. The general sense of the Sanitary Board was that by allowing coolies to run up their lines near the villages they would be under the control of the Patel and village agency. It is doubtful if the Patels would be strong enough to enforce order among the coolies drawn from all classes and mostly composed of the scum of society. The villagers especially after their experiences during plague

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as remarked above, are averse to having these disorderly classes in their proximity both in the interest of the health and peace of the villages.

We may therefore decide once all that occupation or rebuild should not be permitted either in Goregaum or other villages round the fields for the benefit of the coolies. We have then to consider the best way of locating the coolies on the new extension.

The Sanitary Board has power to regulate the construction of dwelling houses, keeping in view the sanitary requirements of the locality. Streets and conservancy lanes will be marked out by them and licenses will be given to applicants for building only in accordance with the rules lately sanctioned by Government.

What we have to decide now is whether, having regard to the habits of the Coolies and the small interest he has in his temporary settlement

Settlement, individual application for building sites could be allowed or we should assign a block or line to be built upon either by the mining Superintendents or by the Contractors. The latter course appears to me to be the best. I shall be glad if you will take the sense of the Mining Board on this point and communicate their views to me before the 22nd of this month before Mr. Madhava Rao leaves the District.

The mining Superintendents are mistaken in thinking that the labour that comes from the villages is all local labour. They are all foreign coolies who have found a lodging either within the village or around it. These men having been dislodged from the villages must be accomodated somewhere.

There is an advantage in setting the lines or blocks of huts built by the Superintendents of

mines

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Irwines or by Contractors - ons we shou
them howe some control over the
cooly occupants. Their concentrati
on the new Town where possibly w
may howe Head Quarter Station -
and lines built for the Police,
would conduce to order being
maintained among them.

All that the Superintende
or Contractors would howe to ha
is a small ground rent for th
land taken up for building. Th
Mohatarfa or Professional tax
will be collected by the Officers
of the Sanitary Board.

"Copy"

Chairman

Vice President.

HM

Camp Charlie, 3rd Division
Magaspali Valley
23rd March/900.

Dear 6½-99-32

My dear S-t.

I trust that my D.O. of the two maps which I sent under from Matamakalpali, yesterday we have been delivered to you ere this. I was not satisfied with the block marked on the Rev. Survey map as the "new town", but the map was only on a one-mile-to-an-inch

scale, and in the absence of accurate details I could do no better. The Dewan would like to have fuller information, I think, about the proposed buildings and village sites. I have since obtained a tracing in which these details are given. Lands, measuring 29 - 24 a have been acquired for this purpose in 8 villages. I submit the tracing herewith by special

Messenger and trust it will be delivered to you tomorrow morning.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely

A Ramaswamy

To,

C. Srinivasa Iyengar Esq.,

Secretary to the

Ordered by the Secty
to be sent to DCO
for subm to the Dewan
in copies of the papers
dict yesterday
KK
24/3/1940

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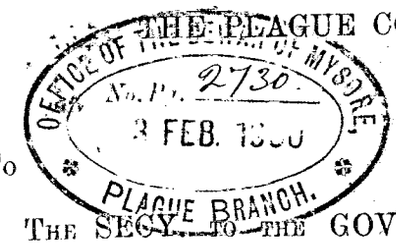
From

THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.



To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GEN. & REV. DEPTS

Dated 2-2-1900

Despatched 3-2-1900

Received 4 cm 65-99-4.

General No. 5927
No.

Enclosure No. 5

Forwarding Copies of Correspondence relating to the transfer of the huts at Dewanspet, Kolar Gold Fields, erected for out of plague fun. to the charge of the Sanitary Board, Kolar Gold Fields, and requesting that early orders may be issued on letter No 1924 447 of 6.12.99 from the President, L & Municipal Board Kolar to the Govern.

References to be marked.

Submitted to Sec.
This may be transferred to the Local Boards Branch for disposal, the matter need not be very early
3.2.00. orders.
3/2/1900
AS

L B. 03:
Where is the Dy Commr's letter of Dec 1st

Sec'n referred to. Was it not first read by the Dy Commr & then by the Dewan? Do it will be necessary? Q
5.2.00

5.2.1900

Submitted to Sec

Yes Sir, it was first subd to the Dy. Cr: and then to the Dewan, as 6.12.99 it is still pending.
5-2-00
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Subd to Dewan for issue of early orders
5/2/1900

Vide L 924.

Aan 65-99-4. 49

OFFICE OF THE
PLAGUE COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE.

No. 5927
Enc: 5

DATED BANGALORE, 2nd February 1900.
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From

THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore
Gen: & Rev: Departments.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herew
copies of correspondence relating to the transf
of the huts erected out of plague funds to the
charge of the Sanitary Board, Kolar, Gold
Fields and to request the favor of early ord
being issued on the letter of the President
Local Fund and Municipal Boards, Kolar, N
447 dated 6th Dec: 1899 to the Govt. as the
huts at present are occupied by budmashes
who neither pay rent nor keep the premises cle

I have the honor to be

Sir,
Your most obedient Servt

K Subbadan

For Plague Commissioner

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FROM

The President
L.J. & Municipal Board
Kolar District

To

The Plague Commissioner
en Mysore

Dated 1st February 1900.

Despatched

Received

General No. 577
No. L.J.M.
Enclosure No. 1

Sir,

With reference to your No. 5558 dated the 23rd Ultimo I have the honor to state that I see no objection to hand over the huts erected out of plague funds in Devanahalli, Kolar Gold Fields, to the charge of the Sanitary Board, but the huts are temporary and the sanction of Govt appears necessary to enable the Board to levy rent on them as proposed in the President's letter No. 112 dated 16th January 1900, to your address (herewith return.

A copy of this office

letter

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Letter No. 447 dated 6th Dec: 99 to the
Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore (Rev: and Edn
Department is also enclosed for your information

I have &c

Sd H. Ramanujiengar
President

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for Plague Commissioner
in Mysore.

J.

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From

THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

Law 65-99

To

The Deputy Commi
Kolar

Dated 23-1-1900.

Despatched

Received

General No. 5558

No.

Enclosure No.

With reference
No. 589 dated 20.1.
stating that three
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in Devanajet, Kol
fields, Hand on
and are not made
or proposed to be
over to Sanitary
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of the said huts
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the Govt. de
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the land on wh
are erected.

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I have the honor to request the Deputy Commissioner to inform the undersigned whether there is any objection to hand over the huts to the Sanitary Board, Kolar Gold Fields since they have been erected out of plague funds. This seems more desirable as the Special Magistrate reports that the huts are at present occupied by bandicoots who pay no rent and do not keep the place clean.

Sd. K. Subba Rao
For Plague Commr
in Mysore.

"Copy

Krishnan
For Plague Commissioner
in Mysore.

From The Deputy Commissioner Kolar District

To The Plague Commissioner in Mysore.

Dated 20th Jan: 1900.

Despatched

Received

General No. 589

No.

Enclosure No.

Law 65-99-4.

With reference to his No. 5369 dated 19th instant, has the honor to state that huts erected out of plague funds in Devanahalli, Kolar Gold fields, stand on Govt land and are not yet made over or proposed to be made over to the Sanitary Board. Until the Govt. decide as to how the land on which these huts are built is to be disposed of the question of disposing of the huts must remain in abeyance.

Ed. N. N. Sparkes
Dy. Commissioner
Kolar District.

"Copy".

K. Nobhadam
for Dis[illegible]

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FROM The President
Sanitary Board
K.G. Fields

To The Plague Commissioner
to the Govt. of Mysore

Dated
Despatched } 16th January 1900
Received

General No. 112
No.

Enclosure No.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith Copy of letter No. 529 L.F.B. dated 12th Instant from the President Local Fund Board Kolar District raising objection for giving immediate possession of the huts erected out of Plague Funds in Dewan's Pet-Kolar & Gold Fields and request you to be so good as to permit the Board to take Charge of the huts and levy rent as informed during my personal interview with you. The huts are at present filled with bad-mashes who pay neither rent nor keep the place clean.

I have &c

Sd G. Hamerwright-
President-
Sanitary Board
K.G. Fields

Acc 65-9-4

No 5369 Enc 1
19-1-00.

Forwarded in original to the Deputy Commissioner Kolar for favor of report - whether the sheds in question can be taken over to the charge of the K.G.F. Sanitary Board, or as to how he proposes they should be dealt with.

Sd R B Blumer
For Plague Commissioner

Bangalore
19/1/1900

"Copy"

K M Chetan
For Plague Commr.
in Mysore

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FROM The President
Local & Mt. Fund Boards
Kolar District

To The President
Sanitary Board
K. G. Fields.

Dated
Despatched } 12th January 1900
Received

General No. 529
No.

Enclosure No.

Ans 6-5-99

His No. 94 dated 6th January 1900 requesting permission to allow the Sanitary Board Kolar Gold Fields to take immediate Charge of Dewan's-pet and to collect rent for huts and to keep the locality clean.

With reference to the above has the honor to inform that the matter is before Government from whom orders are awaited. The huts were erected by the Plague Department to alliviate the overcrowding of Oregaum and as such can only be treated as temporary huts

A reference may be made to the Plague Commissioner about them.

(Signed) C. Krishna Rao
for President

Copy

Sd G. Humewright
President
Sanitary Board

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Kmbhdm
Plague Commr
in Mysore

Transferred from
L-9-17899

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No 65-99-5-(4)

From The Presdt. Kolar Gold Fields
Sanry Bd

Dated
Depd } Major

K.L. 1635

No 1206 / L.7.17-99 dated 14/3/07.

Has the honour to request that the Presdt. will be so good as to state whether the marginally noted provision made in the budgets of the Kolar Gold Fields Sanitary Board have been utilized and whether any new wells have been sunk or old ones repaired so as to ensure an adequate supply of water to the people living in the Kolar Gold Fields and its vicinity included within the area under the management of

Year	Amt Rs	
'898-99	1500	"Repairs and improvements of wells"
'900-01	120	For repairing three wells.

Discontinued
12-5-22

the Kolar Gold Fields 59
Sanitary Bd. An early
reply is requested

By order

for Secretary

Sanl 2 13/5.

Recd 12-3-01.

Disposed to
10-5-22.

No. 15/1.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Kolar District, Camp Champion Reefs
the 15th September 1897.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

On the occasion of his visit to the Gold Fields, the Dewan inspected the Urigam village and its neighbourhood. He was of opinion that it was overcrowded, highly insanitary and incapable of being extended or improved. He promised however to consider any proposals that might be submitted for improving the sanitation of this and other villages and suggested that sufficient lands should be made available in eligible localities for housebuilding as the Gold Mining Industry was growing apace.

2. The present Gold Fields Road called "Urigam Gold Fields Railway Feeder" lies almost entirely on lands belonging to the Mining Companies and is separated from the Urigam and villages to the south of it by the Mining Camps of the various companies.

3. The Gold Mining Companies object to villagers using this road when cholera or other epidemic or cattle desease is reported to prevail in the villages.

4. The inhabitants of Urigam, Sonnakuppa and other villages to the east of the Gold Mines where most of the Gold Field population live, have no roads and find great inconvenience in coming to the Railway Stations, to the Special Magistrate's Court, and to the various Mining Camps for work.

5. Merchants, Mastris, Artisans and others employed in the mines, have no place within easy

1. Sonnekoppa, 2. Parandpalli,
3. Nachekpalli, 4. Pattapalli,
5. Dianapalli, 6. Masika 7. Gollahalli

distance of the mines to build houses and are therefore obliged to overcrowd Urigam and other villages to the south named in the margin.

8. Gonimakanpalli, 9. Soorpalli,
10. Marikuppa, 11. Balijanahalli
12. Chinnaganhalli 13. Giddegondanhalli

6. The only way to prevent this overcrowding and to improve the sanitation of these villages, appears to me to be to open a new road between these villages and the Railway Line as indicated in the accompanying sketch and acquire and reserve the lands on both sides of this road for building houses , shops and all Government Offices and quarters, required for its officials in the Gold Fields. The advantages of this proposal may be summarised as follows:-

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(1) We shall have a road almost entirely on Government land and the Mining Companies can raise no objection to traffic passing on this road even if epidemics should break out in the neighbourhood.

(2) The Gold Mines will have roads on all sides.

(3) The Police will have proper roads for patrol and will be able to establish outposts at suitable points to prevent crime &ca.

(4) We shall be able to establish the arrack and toddy shops where we can well supervise and keep them under effective control.

(5) People having work in the Mines and in Government offices in the Gold Fields, will be able to acquire, directly from Government and unfettered by any conditions, sites and build houses for themselves.

(6) We shall also be able to set apart large areas in suit-able localities for running up cooly lines under proper sanitary conditions instead of their being huddled together as at present with houses of respectable inhabitants in and around villages and menacing their health.

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(7) We shall be able to build in a central and healthy

spot quarters for the officers and men of the Police Force, for the offices and residences of the Inspector of Mines and his establishment, for the Inspection Lodge, Sub Division Office and Quarters for the D.P.W. a Dispensary for Urigam and other villages, quarters for the Hospital Assistant and Midwife and other Public buildings required. The Gold Mining Companies ~~re~~ are not in a position even if willing to place at our disposal desirable lands for this purpose as there are none suitable along the existing road.

(8) We shall then be able to arrange for a system of water supply for all the villages and the new township jointly. The most important measures of sanitary reform are providing good water and prevention of overcrowding in low and damp localities and both these will thus be secured.

(9) This township and the villages themselves could then be formed into a Municipal or Local Fund Union controlled exclusively by Government Officers and representatives from the villages without reference to the Mining Companies who may be required to attend to the sanitation of their own grounds.

7. Dr. Evans and Mr. Hume Wright have also considered ~~th~~ this question and inspected the locality and concur generally in the above views. Before therefore suggesting any remedial measures for the sanitation of the villages to the ~~last~~ East of the Gold Fields, I would have this question investigated and finally decided.

8. The main road may be about 5 miles in length and the cross cuts to the Railway Station about 3 miles or altogether 8 miles. The roads generally pass upon Government Kharab land and even the portions held by ryots can be acquired at rates not exceeding Rs. 50/- an acre. The whole cost of acquiring the lands

lands for the roads and constructing them may be taken at about Rs. 25000/-. The lands on either side which will have to be set apart for housebuilding consist principaIly of Govern ent kharab or gomal and occupied dry lands and the latter will not average more than Rs. 50/- an acre. We can have on the whole about 200 or 300 acres of which 200 will be kharab and about 100 acres costing about Rs. 5000/-. When these are disposed of for housebuilding a good portion of the outlay on the roads and the acquisitions of lands, is sure to be made good.

9. If we can connect the new main road with the Kamasamudra road and provide a good cross road to connect it with the existing Gold Fields road at a point near the Travellers Bungalow, we shall be able to give up the rest to the Mysore Company without going to the cost of making the proposed deviation to the right of the Marikuppam Railway Station which I am told would require about Rs. 6000/-.

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10. The drainage of the Urigam village now estimated to cost about Rs. 20,000/- and which is likely to be very troublesome in the present congested condition of the village, may also be deferred as I have no doubt that a good number of the residents will be drawn off to the new extension on account of its proximity to the Gold Mines and other advantages.

11. I beg therefore that early orders may be passed on ~~th~~ this proposal. × Papers as per margin are submitted for reference

I have &ca.,

Sd. A. Rangasami Iyengar

Deputy Commissioner,

Kolar District.

× 1. Tracing from Topo of the proposed road.

The proposal is to acquire certain lands at a cost of about Rs. 5000 and construct a road at a cost of about Rs. 25000- Presumably these sums have to come from Provincial Funds.

Submitted to Dewan

Intd. C.S.

18-9-97

Please draft for approval -- orders to the effect of my Note of 18th - The matter is very urgent.

Intd. K.S.

22-9-97

Proceedings of the Government of Mysore.

Read:-

Letter No.Camp 15 dated 15th September 1897 from the Deputy Commissioner of the Kolar District, submitting certain proposals in re the construction at the Kolar Gold Fields, of a new road with cross cuts as shewn in the sketch accompanying it, and the acquisition and reservation of the lands required for building purposes at and in the neighbourhood of the said Fields.

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Order Camp No.5 Dated 30-9-97.

Government concur with the Deputy Commissioner in consider-ing the early construction of the road and cross cuts in question desirable. The Secretary to the Government in the D.P.W. is accordingly requested to be so good as to have the project investigated and put in hand as early as practicable. The work should be regarded as Mis. Public Improvements chargeable to the D.P.W Budget- The land required for the road and cross cuts should be forthwith acquired by the Deputy Commissioner and placed at the disposal of the D.P.W.

2. The provision of new building sites for the benefit of the fast growing population of the Gold Fields is a measure of pressing necessity. The Deputy Commissioner's recommendations in this respect is therefore approved, and he is requested to make out a complete list of lands required for this purpose as well as for the roads above referred to and to take steps for the early acquisition of such of them as are private property. A statement shewing the compensation payable to the owners of occupied lands to be thus acquired should be submitted to Government for sanction in anticipation of which however the

Deputy

Deputy Commissioner is authorized to draw the necessary funds in advance not exceeding an aggregate of Rs.5000/- and therewith to make payments to the parties concerned. The acquisition should be formal and made under the Land Acquisition Regulation (Even when the acquisition is made by private agreement) so as to prevent future disputes of title.

Sd/- C. Sreenivasiengar
Secretary.

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.
,, Chief Engineer, with a copy of the Deputy Commissioner's letter and its enclosure.
,, Secretary to Government in the Geological Department.
,, Comptroller.

Secretary.

Please shew to Mr.Krishna Murti the orders about Kolar Gold Field lands &c., They will all come under the new Regulation- as special areas for Mining and Sanitary purposes.

23? Rule XXXIII is mischievous. It was one of Mr. Chentsal Row's liberal fads. I protected before, the vicinity of Railway and now the vicinity of mines has to be very urgently protected Neighbourhood of Cities require similar protection.

I would propose to abolish this offending Rule and go back to what we had before. The Rule is illegal.

Note by the 2nd.Councillor.

I quite agree that para 3 of Rule XXIII is not quite supported by the wording of the Sn. 64 of the Regulation and am quite willing to modify it. another order seems unnecessary as the modification may be made in this order itself. Please see the alteration suggested, which place before the Dewan.

I also think that Government cannot, and ought not to substitute itself for the Deputy Commissioner- This is not contemplated by the Regulation I think. Moreover I think that under the Regulation the Government can regulate the fine by a general order only. But there is a rule corresponding to our para 6 in Bombay and under it, which may be retained, (as also paras 4&5) Government may reserve to itself the powers to regulate the amount of the fine &c., Practically every case will come under the cognizance of Government when it reserves to itself the power under para 6.

I shall, if the Dewan wishes, have a talk with him as soon as he is able to do business. But if he approves of my suggestions the order may be issued, after submission of the final draft to me.

Intd/- P.N.K.

Camp No.32.

Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Kolar District
Dated 26th October 1897.

To
The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue and General Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge Government Proceedings Camp No. 5 dated 30th ultimo, sanctioning the opening of a new road and giving directions for acquiring and reserving lands for building sites in the Gold Fields.

2. Until the ground is actually surveyed and the line of the proposed road is fixed upon by the Public Works Department, it is not possible to state exactly what survey numbers will skirt the proposed road and which ofthem will be required to be reserved. I have however prepared a rough list of all the fields which are likely to be within 2 furlongs on either side of the proposed road in the villages noted in the margin. The proposed road will as far as I can make out pass rather close to the boundaries of the Nandidrug, Champion Reefs and Mysore Mines blocks and actually cross about the middle of what is called East Oorigaum block. No work is going on in the last mentioned property nor is there any likelihood in Dr. Evan's opinion of any shafts being sunk in it. There can therefore be no possible objection to taking the road across it. I shall look up references and address Govt again about acquiring the land necessary forthe road on this block.

1. Oorigaum.
2. Sonnakoppa.
3. Nachipalli.
4. Puttapalli.
5. Masika.
6. Surappalli.
7. Baligenahalli.

3. Of all the lands contained in this statement those belonging to the villages of Oorigaum, Sonnapalli, Pootapalli and Nachipalli are well suited for building purposes. The lands in

Masikam, Surapalli and Balaganahalli are cut up and low, and may not be very useful for the same purpose but some of them are also likely to be found eligible owing to their proximity to the Mysore Mines and those further South in cooly lines will have to be marked off on them.

4. It will be observed that the total extent of lands detailed in the statement is 587 A - 13 Guntas, of which 15.12 are gomal 111.12 kharab, assessed holdings 297-6 and assessed waste 163.23 or 290-7 unoccupied and 297-6 occupied. In my first letter I estimated that we shall want about 300 acres of which 200 acres may be unoccupied and about 100 occupied and I do not expect the extent of really eligible lands to exceed this limit. But this selection will take time as it can be done only after the proposed road is marked on the ground. I have for the present included all lands likely to be required at all for publication in the Gazette. I do not anticipate any great difficulty in buying such of the lands as are actually required by private negotiation with the owners. But it will greatly strengthen my hands if a Notification were issued by Government stating that the lands as per statement No. I are required for a public purpose under Section 6 of the Land Acquisition Act. We shall then be able to give sufficient notice to all parties but purchase only such as are actually required. I beg therefore that this notification may be issued at an early date.

5. It is difficult to give an exhaustive list of the Government Offices and Quarters which will be required for the Gold Fields. But there can be no question that the following are urgently required and it will perhaps be better to have a small committee composed of myself, Dr. Evans, Special Magistrate and Executive Engineer for discussing this question and submitting full proposals as to the buildings required, their size and estimated cost, locality, &c.

(1) Quarters for the Police Assistant Superintendent and for his office.

(2) Police Sub Stations and Police lines, for about 1[illegible]

Constables at each Sub Station.

(3) Quarters for the Inspector of Mines and his Office.

(4) --Do-- for his Assistant and 1 or 2 clerks.

(5) A Dispensary with in-patient ward for about a dozen sick.

(a) A ward for cholera and other diseases.

(6) Quarters for an Hospital Assistant and for a midwife.

(7) An Inspection lodge for Public Works Department and Revenue Officers.

(8) Quarters for a Sub Division Officer of Public Works Department with Office.

(9) A bonded depot for arrack and a number of suitable shops for the sale of arrack in different localities.

(10) A good enclosure for a market with suitable slaughter houses.

6. In connection with the improvement of the sanitation of the villages near the Gold Fields, the one most important question for solution is to devise the best means of providing a good supply of drinking water to the existing villages and the township which is now proposed. There are wells containing drinking water of fairly good quality in the villages. But they are apt to run low during the hot weather and their general conservancy can never be satisfactorily attended to. They will also be at some distance from the proposed road and the township which will be located on a comparatively high ground. It will be found cheaper therefore on the whole to devise one large system of water supply from some large reservoir in the neighbourhood than to sink a number of wells in each village.

7. The Mining Companies consume a large quantity of water in their works and often find great difficulty to provide a sufficient supply. It is therefore hopeless to think of getting a supply in the valley to the west of the proposed road. The valley to the east also does not command a large catchment

and it is stated that the Oorigaum tank is unsatisfactory in that it loses water largely by percolation in the bed or leakage from the bund. But it is very near and will make an excellent source of supply if it can be enlarged and made water tight and arrangements can be made for pumping up water from it. But I believe that the tank in Kandepalli and situated to the north-east of Krishnarajpur village, will be found on investigation more satisfactory as it is said to be large and deep and is evidently situated on a higher level than the Oorigaum Tank. This tank commands a catchment of about 4 square miles and can easily be made to contain 100 units of water. The probable height to which water will have to be lifted is about 160 feet to enable us to deliver it on the surface on the highest levels along the proposed road while the villages are situated on much lower level. I beg therefore to suggest that the Public Works Department may be instructed to investigate the question.

8. The next important measure is to make suitable arrange-ments for the conservancy and Municipal Government of the villages noted in the margin and of the new township. It will not be satisfactory to constitute the larger villages into separate municipalities leaving other villages for being attended to in the Local Fund Branch. It is very desirable to form these villages and the new township into one Municipal union with suitable rules and bye laws conferring ample powers for enforcing order and cleanliness on the part of the residents. For this also a committee may be formed of the Officers already mentioned with one or two members possessed of special knowledge in legislation.

1. Oorigaum.
2. Sonnakoppa.
3. Nachipalli.
4. Pootapalli.
5. Masika.
6. Soorapalli.
7 Baliganhalli.
8. Gollahalli.
9. Govimkanapalli.

I have &ca.,

Sd. A. Rangasamy Iyengar.

Deputy Commissioner.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

REVENUE

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 2nd November 1897

No. 3957-66
R. 1228

Prohibiting the indiscriminate construction of houses near the Kolar Gold Fields on lands not specially set apart for building purposes, directing the reservation of all unoccupied lands within five miles of the boundary of any mining property, modifying para 3 of Rule XXIII of the Mysore Land Revenue Rules, and calling upon the Deputy Commissioner to report the terms of the Notification and Rules to be issued under the Mysore Mines Regulation.

M.G.C.P.B.—4-11-97—250

No. 3957-66—R. 1228, DATED, BANGALORE, 2ND NOVEMBER 1897.

ORDER.—Government are of opinion that on sanitary and other considerations, the indiscriminate construction of houses at and near the Kolar Gold Fields on lands not specially set apart for building purposes, should be forthwith prohibited. The Government understand that the provision regarding the erection of buildings, such as have the effect of enhancing the value of agricultural lands contained in para 3 of Rule XXIII of the Land Revenue Rules, has been grossly abused in the neighbourhood of the mines by the erection of regular bazaars, groups of houses badly arranged and without drainage or ventilation, whole lines of huts for mining coolies, &c., so as not only to destroy the character of the land built upon as agricultural land, but also so as to become a standing nuisance to the sanitation of the mines and its neighbourhood. Any future misuse in this manner of agricultural land in the neighbourhood of the mines will be prevented by order issued in the following paras, but as regards lands already built upon as above described, the Deputy Commissioner will recommend, for the orders of Government in the Revenue Department, what fine and special assessment he would propose to impose under Sections 48, 63 and 64 of the Land Revenue Code, having due regard to the value of the land for the purpose for which it is used.

2. Having regard to the rapid expansion of the gold mining industry at the said locality, Government direct that all unoccupied land, within five miles of the boundary of any mining property held under lease from the Government, should be reserved until further orders. A complete list of such lands including gomal, kharab and assessed waste should be carefully prepared and submitted for the information of Government, together with the Deputy Commissioner's opinion as to whether the reservation ordered above is sufficient, or whether the same requires any, and what, modification.

3. As regards lands situated within the area wherein reservation is ordered in the foregoing para, the Deputy Commissioner shall not act under the rules contained in paras 4 and 5 of Rule XXIII of the Land Revenue Rules, but shall in all such cases apply for and obtain the special orders of Government. In the case of such lands, the provisions of Sections 63 and 64 of the Land Revenue Code shall also be strictly applied.

4. The Deputy Commissioner is further requested to consider at once and report the terms of the Notification and Rules to be issued under the Mysore Mines Regulation which has recently been published in the Official Gazette.

5. Government deem it necessary to remove from para 3 of Rule XXIII of the Land Revenue Rules, the provision referred to in para 1 above, which is not strictly supported by the wording of Section 63 of the Revenue Code, and they accordingly direct that the following Notification be published in the *Gazette*.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3967—*R.* 1229, *dated 2nd November* 1897.

The Government of Mysore are pleased to direct that the clause beginning with the word "or" and ending with the word "value" be omitted from para 3 of Rule XXIII of the Mysore Land Revenue Rules.

2. The rule as above modified will read as follows :—

3. "The appropriation of agricultural land to any purpose unconnected with 'agriculture within the meaning of Section 63 shall be considered to mean

"quarrying, brick-making, removal of the soil for other purposes, and such other
"operations as are calculated to render the land unfit for cultivation. In the case
"of agricultural land appropriated for any purpose (as above defined) unconnected
"with agriculture, the assessment fixed for purposes of agriculture shall be liable
"to be altered under Section 48."

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.
The Deputy Commissioners of other Districts.
The Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
The Secretary to the Government of Mysore in the Geological Department.

Exd.—H.A.R

Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Kolar District,
Dated 26th July 1899.

No. 1364/80

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue and General Departments.

Sir,

With reference to Government Order No. 5 of 30th September 1897, approving of the construction of the new road to the east of the Gold Fields recommended by my predecessor Mr. Rangasawmy Iyengar, and the building of Government quarters and a new town on either side of it, I have the honor to inform you, that the road is being cut and partly finished, but as regards the erection of Government buildings and a new town, it is found impracticable without a water supply. In the original proposition a water supply was proposed by pumping water from the Kandapalli tank to the east of the proposed town; but up to date no steps appear to have been taken to draw up a project for this, and I earnestly request that Government will, at once, move the Chief Engineer to form a project for supplying this proposed new town with water.

2. Owing to the recent demolition of a great many of the old huts in Uregam village on account of plague, it is found necessary to give the owners new ground for rebuilding the same, and the present proposed site is the only place available. Again, it is now proposed to move the Taluk Head Quarters from Bowringpet to this site, by building the new Taluk Cutcherry there, and which proposal has received the approval of the mining board and is in every way suitable as it is more central for the whole Taluk than the present situation. Such being the case the present dirty and insanitary town of Bowringpet will diminish to a large extent and

e new town become a very important centre. As the water question is a very urgent one, I would again request you to move overnment in the matter to pass early orders regarding it, as ntil that is settled it will be of no use in disposing of building sites.

3. The Councillor for the Eastern Division inspected the ite on the 24th and approved of all the proposals, but pointed ut that they were useless unless a water supply was provided.

4. At a meeting held at the Uregam hall on the 24th instant, t was proposed that the new town be called Madhavapuram in ecognition of the deep interest taken in it by the Councillor or the Eastern Division, and who was graciously pleased to approve f the same. I would therefore request that the proposed new own be known by that name in future.

I have &ca,

(signed) H.H. Sparkes

Deputy Commissioner,

Kolar District.